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Program Assessment Report due 11/21/14

Program or Certificate: Associations of Arts – History

Academic Year Assessed:

Program Lead Faculty:

Department Chair: Ginny Stowitts Traina

Program Learning Outcome #1	Create an argument through the use of historical evidence.
Courses in the degree plan that address this outcome	Hist. 1301
Assessment Method	Instructors choose three specific questions from a question bank addressing this outcome for inclusion in their final exams.
Targets for Achievement	70 percent of students enrolled in Hist. 1301 will successfully answer the questions focusing on this program learning outcome.
Results	82.1% students successfully answered this block of questions pertinent to Program Learning Outcome #1.
Target Met or Not Met	Target Met
New action plan for improvement of student learning	
Evaluation of previous cycle's action plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none">In Spring, 2011, results indicated that 75.0 percent of student correctly answered the selected questions addressing Program Learning Outcome #1. In comparison, 82.1 percent of student successfully answered the same selected questions for Program Learning Outcome #1 in Spring, 2014, for an increase of 7.1 percent over Spring, 2011.
Program Learning Outcome #2	Analyze and interpret primary and secondary sources.



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Assessment Method	Instructors choose three specific questions from a question bank addressing this outcome for inclusion in their final exams.
Targets for Achievement	70 percent of students enrolled in Hist. 1301 will successfully answer the questions focusing on this program learning outcome.
Results	82.8% students successfully answered this block of questions pertinent to Program Learning Outcome #2.
Target Met or Not Met	Target Met
New action plan for improvement of student learning	
Evaluation of previous cycle's action plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none">In Spring, 2011, results indicated that 84.6 percent of student correctly answered the selected questions addressing Program Learning Outcome #2. In comparison, 82.8 percent of student successfully answered the same selected questions for Program Learning Outcome #2 in Spring, 2014, for a decrease of 1.8 percent over Spring, 2011.
Program Learning Outcome #3	Analyze the effects of historical, social, political, economic, cultural and global forces on this period of United States history.
Courses in the degree plan that address this outcome	Hist. 1301
Assessment Method	Instructors choose three specific questions from a question bank addressing this outcome for inclusion in their final exams.
Targets for Achievement	70 percent of students enrolled in Hist. 1301 will successfully answer the questions focusing on this program learning outcome.



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Results	74.1 percent of students successfully answered this block of questions pertinent to Program Learning Outcome #3.
Target Met or Not Met	Target Met
New action plan for improvement of student learning	
Evaluation of previous cycle's action plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In Spring, 2011, results indicated that 76.0 percent of student correctly answered the selected questions addressing Program Learning Outcome #3. In comparison, 74.1 percent of student successfully answered the same selected questions for Program Learning Outcome #3 in Spring, 2014, for a decrease of 1.9 percent over Spring, 2011.



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Program Learning Outcome #1	Create an argument through the use of historical evidence.
Courses in the degree plan that address this outcome	Hist. 1302
Assessment Method	Instructors choose three specific questions from a question bank addressing this outcome for inclusion in their final exams.
Targets for Achievement	70 percent of students enrolled in Hist. 1302 will successfully answer the questions focusing on this program learning outcome.
Results	85.9 percent of students successfully answered this block of questions pertinent to Program Learning Outcome #1.
Target Met or Not Met	Target Met
New action plan for improvement of student learning	
Evaluation of previous cycle's action plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none">In Spring, 2011, results indicated that 86.0 percent of student correctly answered the selected questions addressing Program Learning Outcome #1. In comparison, 85.9 percent of student successfully answered the same selected questions for Program Learning Outcome #3 in Spring, 2014, for a decrease of 0.1 percent over Spring, 2011.



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Program Learning Outcome #2	Analyze and interpret primary and secondary sources.
Courses in the degree plan that address this outcome	Hist. 1302
Assessment Method	Instructors choose three specific questions from a question bank addressing this outcome for inclusion in their final exams.
Targets for Achievement	70 percent of students enrolled in Hist. 1302 will successfully answer the questions focusing on this program learning outcome.
Results	87.2 percent of students successfully answered this block of questions pertinent to Program Learning Outcome #2.
Target Met or Not Met	Target Met
New action plan for improvement of student learning	
Evaluation of previous cycle's action plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none">In Spring, 2011, results indicated that 92.4 percent of student correctly answered the selected questions addressing Program Learning Outcome #2. In comparison, 87.2 percent of student successfully answered the same selected questions for Program Learning Outcome #2 in Spring, 2014, for a decrease of 5.2 percent over Spring, 2011.
Program Learning Outcome #3	Analyze the effects of historical, social, political, economic, cultural and global forces on this period of United States history.
Courses in the degree plan that address this outcome	Hist. 1302
Assessment Method	Instructors choose three specific questions from a question bank addressing this outcome for inclusion in their final exams.



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Targets for Achievement	70 percent of students enrolled in Hist. 1302 will successfully answer the questions focusing on this program learning outcome.
Results	64.1 percent of students successfully answered this block of questions pertinent to Program Learning Outcome #3.
Target Met or Not Met	Target Met
New action plan for improvement of student learning	
Evaluation of previous cycle's action plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In Spring, 2011, results indicated that 76.0 percent of student correctly answered the selected questions addressing Program Learning Outcome #3. In comparison, 64.1 percent of student successfully answered the same selected questions for Program Learning Outcome #3 in Spring, 2014, for a decrease of 11.9 percent over Spring, 2011.